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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1626**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 07541.0002

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Hiroshi TAKEMOTO et al.

Application No.: 10/048,008

Int'l Filing Date: July 24, 2000

§ 371 Date: January 25, 2002

For: THIAZOLIDINE COMPOUNDS  
AND PHARMACEUTICAL  
COMPOSITIONS EXHIBITING  
THROMBOPOIETIN RECEPTOR  
AGONISM (as amended)

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In response to the final Office Action dated January 8, 2004, please amend the  
subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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